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News Release

ICE FPS REGIONAL DIRECTOR RECEIVES AWARD

BOSTON—Ronald D. Libby, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Federal Protective Service (FPS) Regional Director, was honored by the Greater Boston Federal Executive Board (GBFEB) as one of three individuals to receive its Chair's Award for Leadership.

The Greater Boston Federal Executive Board's Chair's Award for Leadership is presented annually to recognize an individual who has demonstrated extraordinary support to the Board of Directors and federal community, and who has shown a sincere commitment to the ideals of partnership, cooperation and coordination. Mr. Libby shares this award with Captain John Grenier, United States Coast Guard, and Kim Ainsworth, executive director of the GBFEB.

Mr. Libby has been given this award by the GBFEB in recognition of his dedication to the federal community and its constituents. Mr. Libby was personally involved in the development of the GBFEB's Emergency Decision and Nofication Protocol. He facilitated an innovative communication method by providing a secure web portal that compliments more traditional systems enabling the GBFEB to provide unclassified information securely via the Internet and in "real time."

In addition to being the Regional Director for FPS in New England, Mr. Libby also serves as the GBFEB's Vice Chair of the Board of Directors and also as the Chair of the GBFEB's Homeland Security Committee.

"I am sincerely honored to have received this award for leadership," said Mr. Libby. "I would like to thank all of the board members and the member agencies for their support. The GBFEB is a wonderful organization dedicated to supporting the federal community and I am proud to serve."

When presenting the award yesterday at the Kennedy Library, Diane Leblanc, chair of the Greater Boston Federal Executive Board noted, "The federal community is very lucky to have access to this web portal and we are very lucky to have Ron Libby as part of our federal community and serving in a leadership capacity."

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In a letter, Senator Edward M. Kennedy commends Mr. Libby for his dedication and commitment to serving New England's federal workforce. He states "President Kennedy believed that one person can make a difference and that everyone should try. You have demonstrated the truth of that belief each and every day. You have already made a substantial difference, and you have inspired others to follow your lead."

President Kennedy established Federal Executive Boards in 1961 by Presidential Memorandum. The objectives are to improve internal management practices and communications of the federal government, to strengthen coordination of federal activities by supporting and promoting initiatives of the President and the administration and also to provide a central focus for federal participation in community affairs. There are approximately 150 federal agencies represented in greater Boston.

Mr. Libby has been the Regional Director for ICE FPS in New England since September 2003. The FPS, one of five programs within ICE, protects and secures more than one million tenants and daily visitors at federal facilities nationwide. FPS has a workforce of 1,500 special agents, police officers, inspectors, and more than 15,000 contracted security personnel.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of five integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities.